

I. N. G. IN READINESS FOR MOBILIZATION

ILLINOIS 11,000 TRAINED MEN CAN BE BROUGHT TOGETHER IN SHORT NOTICE—MUST ENLIST 8,000 MORE.

Springfield, Ill., March 23—Adjutant General Frank S. Dickson today had everything in readiness for mobilization the moment an order comes from Washington. Yesterday he sent Chicago detailed explanation of the sanitary condition of the state fair grounds, which doubtless will be the mobilization camp in case of a call, and explained over what roads various commands in the national guard will be brought to Springfield.

This information was requested by General Barry of the Central division of the United States army. Dickson does not know whether or not any change is planned in the concentration camp, but has been going on the theory that the fair grounds would be used as in the case of the border mobilization.

How soon the supplies and equipment requisitioned for 19,822 men—full war strength—will be received is not known, but all present members of the guard are fully equipped. All commands except the Fifth and Sixth regiments have the equipment used in active service having just returned from the border. Eleven thousand men are ready for active service on very short notice.

General Dickson is not worried over the failure of a number of men in the guard to take the federal oath prescribed by the Hay bill. He is convinced that in case of a call by the president all commands would immediately submit to the oath without further difficulty.

"While the law provides that guardsmen cannot be taken outside the state until they have subscribed to the oath required by the Hay act, there is a provision for those who have not taken the oath to take it immediately upon the issuance of the call to federal service," General Dickson said today. "I have no doubt that all of the guardsmen will subscribe to the oath without delay if a call is sent from Washington."

Provisional regiments which are being tendered to the governor may be used to good advantage in case of a call. About nine thousand more men than are now available will be needed at once. The easiest way to get them will be to take them in by regiments. Under the terms of the Hay bill the number may be increased either by increasing the number of regiments or by regimental enlistments augmenting the present commands.

"PRINTLESS NEWSPAPER."

Matters of Public Interest Are Sent Out by Telephone.

Vevay, Ind.—What is believed to be the first "printless newspaper" in America is now a flourishing institution in Switzerland.

The "newspaper" is a daily telephone bulletin furnished to the subscribers of a telephone company.

At a certain hour each day the exchange operators in all parts of the country call the subscribers to the telephone and report news developments of interest. Weather forecasts, births, deaths, weddings, accidents, serious illness, elopements and divorce suits are reported.

BARS JOKING FINN AS UNITED STATES CITIZEN

New York.—The United States has lost a citizen in Gustave A. Johnson, a Russian Finn, who applied in Jersey City for his final papers. "What is the constitution of the United States?" asked the judge. The reply came, "I'm not healthy, I should say," Johnson also said the country could go somewhere, whereupon he was sent somewhere else—to wit, to jail.

So Sensitive!

An attorney was consulted by a woman desirous of bringing action against her husband for a divorce.

She related a harrowing tale of the ill treatment she had received at his hands. So impressive was her recital that the lawyer, for a moment, was startled out of his usual professional composure.

"From what you say this man must be a brute of the worst type," he exclaimed.

The applicant for divorce arose and with severe dignity announced:

"Sir, I shall consult another lawyer. I came here to get advice as to a divorce, not to hear my husband abused!"—New York Times.

Ties Itself In a Knot.

How fishes get off the hook is always interesting, for the most talked of fish is the fish that got away. Chapman Grant, who gets fish for the Aquarium, has witnessed the remarkable manner in which morays will disengage themselves from the hook. If held dangling in the air the moray will double on himself, tie the knot and pull his head out backward.

"At this juncture," says Mr. Grant, "it has always been my experience that the hook or line broke, allowing the fish to escape. Mr. Mosbray, however, states that he has seen morays strangle themselves when caught with strong tackle."—New York Sun.

TO MAKE RAILWAY CROSSINGS SAFER

Springfield, Ill., March 23—The grade crossing evils, responsible for thousands of deaths in Illinois each year and furnishing a local problem in many cities and villages of the state owing to railway companies' refusal to take any steps to do away with it, is attacked in two bills which have been introduced in the senate by Senator Dunlap, of Champaign.

One of the bills gives the public utilities commission of the state greater power in forcing the railroads to do away with dangerous crossings. It provides that the commission shall have power to order the construction of any crossing, that it may designate hazardous crossings and provide for level grades. It also provides for uniform danger signals, full stop signs on extra dangerous crossings, require automobilists to stop before crossing and provide that railroads must remove trees and other things obstructing the view of the travelers on highways.

The other bill provides for the removal from highways of brush and other objects obstructing the view of railroad tracks for 300 feet on each side of railroad crossings and for the placing of signs 300 feet from each side of the tracks at crossings where there is extra danger. Both bills are referred to the roads and bridges committee.

Hunting Happiness.

In the American Magazine a writer says:

"Men have been living on this world for many centuries. They have traveled in their lives for many different things—fame, money, power. But the consensus of opinion through the ages is that the thing most to be desired is happiness. No man can be really happy unless his conscience is clear. Therefore he pays to be honest and to treat the other fellow as one would like to be treated. No one can be happy who sacrifices his health. Therefore fame and too much money, either of which usually demand health in exchange, are not to be desired. No man can have the highest happiness unless he can feel that he is doing a little good by living, that he is going to leave the world a bit better after he has gone. Therefore it pays to bring children into the world and care for them. It pays to be a good neighbor and a good employer and a good friend."

The Man Who Thinks.

A man with dirty face and hands, shirt soaked with perspiration, stopped, laid down his dinner bucket, rolled a broken knuckle out of the pathway between the tracks, put it close up against the ends of the ties, where no one could stumble over it, picked up his dinner bucket and plodded home.

More than fifty other employees had preceded this man, each one carefully picking his way around the obstruction.

I asked this man why he took the trouble to roll the knuckle out of the pathway. He seemed surprised at such a question and said, "Why, some of the boys might get a bad fall if that knuckle was there after dark." I said, "All the other men passed it by," and he replied, "Oh, they're all good boys. They'd have done the same thing if they'd thought about it."

He said something didn't he? "If they'd thought about it." Ah, yes, "if they'd thought about it."—Erie Railroad Magazine.

Insects Are Curious.

In many ways the structure of insects is wonderful. They are gifted with muscles of extraordinary strength and are yet destitute of bones to which those muscles can be attached. They possess a circulatory system and are without a heart. They perform acts involving the exercise of certain mental qualities and are without a brain. But more remarkable still, they breathe atmospheric air without the aid of lungs. If we take any moderately large insect, say a wasp or a hornet, we can see even with the naked eye that a series of small spiracles marks run along either side of the body. These apparent spots, which are generally eighteen or twenty in number, are in fact the apertures through which the air is admitted into the system and are usually formed in such a manner that no extraneous matter can by any possibility find entrance.

A Painter's Retort.

Shortly after Franz Leubach had painted the portrait of Emperor William I, a privy councillor called on him to express the emperor's satisfaction. There was only one criticism to make—would the professor be so kind as to paint more distinctly the buttons on the uniform, which were only indicated vaguely? Leubach looked at him a moment over his glasses and said, "Look here, Mr. Councillor, I paint heads, not buttons; did you not keep, aber keine knöpfe? Tell his majesty that!" The emperor when this answer was brought to him laughed heartily.

Brevity of a Dream.

One evening Victor Hugo was dictating letters to his secretary. Overcome by fatigue, the great man dropped into a slumber. A few moments afterward he awoke, haunted by a dream which, as he thought, had extended over several hours, and he blamed his secretary for sitting there waiting for him instead of waking him or else going away. What was his surprise when the bewildered secretary told him that he had only just finished writing the last sentence dictated to him and that Hugo could have been dozing only for a few seconds.

Probably Not.

"Is Pickleby a manure artist?" "I don't know. Why?" "I just saw him, and he told me that he had charge of a hundred hands at his place of business."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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FARMER OF NEAR OTTAWA TELLS OF HELP GIVEN WIFE

AUGUST MOSS SAYS TANLAC, THE MASTER MEDICINE, HAS PROVED BLESSING TO HELPMATE—OVERJOYED BY THE RESULTS.

The best evidence in the world that a medicine or anything else is all it is claimed to be is the statement of some local person, someone you know and in whom you have the utmost confidence.

Among the many people of Ottawa and vicinity who praise Tanlac, the Master Medicine, none is more enthusiastic about the new preparation than August Moss, a well known farmer who lives on rural route No. 32, Ottawa. Mr. Moss endorses Tanlac because of the good the new medicine did his wife.

"Some time ago my wife suffered from a general break-down and as has been troubled since with stomach and liver trouble and extreme nervousness," Mr. Moss said on March 17. "Her appetite was poor and she said her stomach seemed to be in a sickened, soiled condition almost all the time. She didn't care for a thing to eat and what little food she did eat didn't agree with her. She had pains in her stomach almost all the time. She was so nervous that she couldn't sleep at night and would just toss and roll about the bed."

"Tanlac was so highly recommended by others that my wife decided to try it. Tanlac has proved a veritable blessing to her; it seemed to straighten out her stomach at once. She has taken one bottle of the medicine and she can eat heartily and digest all her food properly. The soiled, sickened condition of her stomach has disappeared. The pains in her stomach have disappeared, also. She's not so nervous now and sleeps soundly and peacefully every night and gets up in mornings feeling fine."

"When I say that Tanlac proved a blessing to my wife I mean it, for that is just what it is. My wife is overjoyed with the results."

"It's just as I expected and predicted," the Tanlac Man said at W. D. Duncan's drug store yesterday. "It has not taken the people of Ottawa and vicinity long to learn that Tanlac is a medicine of unusual merit for stomach, liver and kidney trouble, catarrhal complaints, nervousness, loss of appetite and the like."

Tanlac is now being introduced in Ottawa at W. D. Duncan's drug store, where a special Tanlac representative is explaining the new medicine to the public daily and is sold in Streator at the Gant Drug Co., in La Salle at the Clancy Drug Co., in Peru at Nadler's drug store and in Springfield Valley at Thompson's drug store.—Adv.

Early Rising.

John Wesley was a strong advocate of early rising, which he asserted was beneficial to weak eyes. "When I was young," he stated in a sermon on "The Duty and Advantage of Early Rising," "my sight was very weak, but it is stronger now than forty years ago. I impute this principally to the blessing of God, who fits us for whatever he calls us to do," but undoubtedly the outward means which he blessed was rising early every morning.—Exchange.

His Job.

"Are you the head of the house?" "I certainly am." "Then I have called to see you about this account. It is long overdue." "You'll have to see my husband about that. I merely handle the cash. He puts off the creditors."—Detroit Free Press.

The Trouble With Alice.

"Alice has a very poor figure. She has no waist, and so she doesn't yearn for clothes."

"I see. It's a case of waist not, want not."

Thoroughness.

"When I take up an idea," said the egoist, "I cover it completely."

"You do more than that," replied the satirist; "you bury it."—Exchange.

Wise Woman.

"It was Cervantes, was it not, who said, 'No man is born wise?'"

"Perhaps it was, but women found it out long before Cervantes did."

Falsehood, like a nettle, stings those who meddle with it.—Anonymous.

Something Different.

"Mother," said little Evelyn, "may I go out and play with the other children now?"

"You may play with the little girls, sweetheart, but not with the boys. The little boys are too rough."

"But, mother," rejoined the little miss, "if I find a nice, smooth little boy, can I play with him?"—New York Times.

Little Girl Had Croup.

Every mother knows and fears croup. Mrs. R. M. Raney, R. F. D. 2, Stanford, Ky., writes: "My little girl had been having croup every few nights. I began to give her a few drops of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound every two or three hours, and that night she slept well, never coughed any, and the next day her cold was gone. To all of my friends I am saying, 'Get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar for la grippe coughs, colds and croup. A genuine cure.'" W. D. Duncan.

PITCAIRN ISLAND MAIL.

First Dispatch From United States by Steamship Australplains.

Washington.—For the first time since its colonization in 1789 by missionaries of the British warship Bounty and Tahitian women Pitcairn Island, a dot in the Pacific about midway between Panama and New Zealand, is to receive mail from the United States. The historic event is announced in the usual dry, formal mail notice as follows:

"Postmaster Morgan advises that the steamship Australplains will sail from New York on or about March 15, 1917, via the Panama canal for Pitcairn Island, being due to arrive there within twenty-five days of the date of sailing. He issues this notice in order that the patrons of the postal service may take advantage of this unusual opportunity for the expeditious dispatch of mail for the place named."

It is not likely that the mail to Pitcairn Island will be a heavy one, since only one Pitcairn islander, Miss Emily McCoy, has ever visited the United States to make friends here. Miss McCoy left the island about fifteen years ago to study nursing. Probably she will be the only person in the United States to whom the mail service to Pitcairn Island will be of interest. There are about 170 men, women and children on the island.

INDIANS FORCED TO WED.

Young Chippewas Rush to Judge to Avoid Arrest.

Deer River, Minn.—This village was visited by a large delegation of young Chippewa Indians from the Bowstring country, who came to be married by Justice Cahill, in accordance with the ruling he made that he would give them a week in which to get married subsequent to many arrests by the sheriff of Itasca county on complaint of the Indian agent at Bemidji.

It is not the intention of the department, it is said, to interfere with the marital rights of the older natives who married years ago under tribal laws, but it is the younger members and in most cases the well educated ones, some of whom have college educations, the department officers are watching.

Twins Run in the Family.

Evansville, Ind.—The sixteenth birthday of Elsie and Ethel Brady, who are the second of three pairs of twins in one family, was celebrated at their home at 1 Randall street. The mother of the girls is a twin sister of Mrs. Izora Young of Rockport. The younger sisters of Mrs. Brady are the third twins.

New York's Millionaire Club.

There are in New York four clubs which charge an initiation fee of \$300. They are the Kulerbocker, the Metropolitan, the Union and the Union League. There is no club in New York which has a higher initiation fee. One of those charging \$300 has been called the Millionaires' club.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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Soap should be used very carefully. If you want to keep your hair looking its best. Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and ruins it.

The best thing for steady use is just ordinary mildified coconut oil (which is pure and greaseless), and is better than the most expensive soap or anything else you can use.

One or two teaspoons will cleanse the hair and scalp thoroughly. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, which rinses out easily, removing every particle of dirt, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves the scalp soft and the hair fine and silky, bright, lustrous, fluffy and easy to manage.

You can get mildified coconut oil at any pharmacy, it's very cheap, and a few ounces will supply every member of the family for months.

SUDDEN DEATH

Caused by Disease of the Kidneys.

The close connection which exists between the heart and the kidneys is well known nowadays. As soon as kidneys are diseased, arterial tension is increased and the heart functions are attacked. When the kidneys no longer pour forth waste, uræmia poisoning occurs and the person dies, and the cause is often given as heart disease, or disease of brain or lungs.

It is a good insurance against such a risk to send 10 cents for a sample package of "Annie"—the latest discovery of Dr. Pierce. Also send a sample of your water. This will be examined without charge by expert chemists at Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y. When you suffer from backache, frequent or scanty urine, rheumatic pains here or there, or that constant tired, worn-out feeling, it's time to write Dr. Pierce, describe your symptoms and get his medical opinion without charge—absolutely free. This "Annie" of Doctor Pierce's is found to be 37 times more active than lithia, for it dissolves uric acid in the system as hot water does sugar.

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WORRY, DESPONDENCY.

Kidney Disease is suspected by medical men when patients complain of backache or suffer with irregular urination, disturbed, too frequent, scanty or painful passage. The general symptoms are rheumatic pains or neuralgia, headaches, dizzy spells, irritability, despondency, weakness and general misery. Worry is a frequent cause and sometimes a symptom of kidney disease. Thousands have testified to immediate relief from these symptoms after using Dr. Pierce's Annie Tablets.

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